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INTRODUCTION.

In compiling the present Review, the usual data have been made use of. The most noticeable features of the month are: the movements of the low pressure-areas; the high mean temperatures in the northern, central and eastern districts; the small total rain-falls in the northeastern districts, with resulting droughts and numerous, extensive and destructive forest-fires; the grasshoppers in the northwestern States and Territories.

BAROMETRIC PRESSURE.

In general. The general distribution of the atmospheric pressure for the month is represented upon chart No. II by the isobaric curves. For Mt. Washington, the mean is 30.31 in., and for Pike's Peak, 30.23 in. Excepting these, the highest means have been reported from Portland, Or., and the stations along the Atlantic coast, from Florida to southern New England; the lowest from Fort Gibson, 29.77, Bismarck, 29.70, Dodge City, 29.52, and North Platte, 29.47 in. The ranges in the barometers are, for Key West, .24 of an inch; San Francisco, .33; Gulf States, .30 to .43; Teames and the Ohio valley, .29 to .42; South Atlantic States, .41 to .47; Middle Atlantic States, .42 to .50; Upper Mississippi valley, .42 to .69; Lower Lake region, .53 to .57; Upper Lake region, .53 to .66; New England, .53 to .72; Rocky Mountain stations, .40 to .64; Lower Missouri valley, .62 to .93, and western portions of Kausas, Nebraska and Dakota, .96 to 1.24 at Bismarck.

Areas of high pressure.—Seven have crossed the northern sections of the country during the month-As the intervals between their passage were comparatively short, the periods of warm weather, caused by the movement of the low-pressure areas, were generally of short duration, excepting for the Gulf States.

No. I.—At 7:35 a. m. of the 1st, this high-pressure area extended from the Lakes to the St. Lawrence valley, with a barometric ridge running to the Western Gulf States, and was accompanied by cool, clear weather. By morning of the 2nd, the pressure had considerably increased in the northern sections, and isobar 30.30 inches included New England and New Brunswick. During the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, it increased in the South Atlantic States, and succeeding low pressure, No. I, diminished in the northern sections, especially in the Northwest and Lake region, in advance of low pressure No. II, and continued highest over New England. In connection with low pressure No. 1, brisk and occasionally high north to east winds, and heavy seas were produced along the coast from New Jersey to North Carolina on the 1st and 2nd. In lat. 37° 78 N, long. 73° 10 W, a southwest gale was experienced on the 2nd, and a northeast gale on the 3rd. On the morning of the 5th, the highest pressure, above 30.10, covered the Atlantic States, continued increasing in the Southern States during the 5th and 6th, and was central in Georgia at 7:35 a. m. of the 7th, after which it lost its distinctive features. Cautionary Signals were ordered on the 1st and 2nd along the South and Middle Atlantic coasts, which were justified except at Tybee Island, Ga., Kittyhawk, Cape Henry and Norfolk.

No. II.—Following low pressure No. II, it passed over the Missouri and Upper Mississippi valleys during the 5th and 6th, but was of little interest. It moved to the Upper Lake region on the 7th. On the morning of the 8th, with No. I., an extensive area, included by isobar 30.10, reached from the Lakes to the Southern States east of the Mississippi. At 7:35 a. m. of the 10th, it covered the Atlantic States, where it continued, with increased pressure, on the 11th and 12th, and then gradually disappeared off the New England coast on the 13th and 14th.

No. III.—On the 7th and 8th it was felt at Portland, Or., reaching its maximum on the morning of the

9th. During the 9th it appeared in Montana and Dakota, in rear of low pressure No. III, and gradually extended southward, producing high northerly winds or gales and a decided fall in the temperature in Wyoming and western Nebraska, which conditions reached Kansas and the Missouri valley, with decreasing wind-velocities, on the 10th. The temperature fell from 85° to 33° at Virginia City, Montana, within sixteen hours, during the night of the 8th, and destructive frosts occurred in northeastern Utah on the morning of the 10th. At 7:35 a. m. of the 11th it extended from southern Minnesota southwestward beyond Kansas, and then rapidly lost its idenity under the influence of low pressure No. IV.

No. IV.—During the 12th, while low pressure No. IV was approaching the Northwest, this area made its appearance at Fort Garry, Manitoba, and undoubtedly forced the former to take the southeastward course shown upon chart No I. Brisk northerly winds and failing temperature prevailed from Dakota and western Minnesota to Utah and Nebraska, on the 13th. These conditions reached Kansas, the Upper Mississippi valley and the Upper Lake region during the 14th. By morning of the 15th the central highest moved from Dakota to the north of Lake Superior. On the morning of the 16th it covered the Lake region and St. Lawrence valley, but with decreased pressure, and then rapidly disappeared.

No. V—was first observed at Fort Garry, on the morning of the 19th. During the day it extended southeastward over Minnesota toward the Upper Lakes, with cool, fresh and brisk northerly winds. At 7:35 a. m. of the 20th, the highest, above 30.26 inches, was central over or north of Lake Superior, with occasional light frosts in Wisconsin and New York. On the following morning, isobar 30.20 in. included Lower Michigan, Lake Huron, Lower Lakes and the Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, Vermont and New Hampshire; from Malone, N. Y., and near Port Huron, Mich., heavy and destructive frosts. On the summit of Mt. Washington, frostwork formed early in the morning. During the 21st and 22d, the pressure diminished, and on the morning of the 23d two areas of 30.10 in. covered the South Atlantic States and St. Lawrence valley. The latter disappeared during the 23rd and 24th, in advance of low pressure No. VII; the former extended over the Gulf States, losing its distinctive features on the 25th. Light frosts occasionally occured in Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine on the morning of the 22d.

No. VI.—At Portland, Or., the barometer rose to 30.39 inches at the 4:35 p. m. observation of the 23rd, and a rapid rise occurred at Virginia City during the day and night. During the 24th it reached the Missouri valley, with cool, clear weather and brisk to high northerly and westerly winds, diminishing in force at night. At Dodge City, N. 35, and Santa Fé, E. 34 miles were recorded. On the morning of the 25th the highest, above 30.40 inches, was central over Nebraska, and during the day the area extended over the Lake region, Ohio valley and interior of the Western Gulf States, with cool, clear weather. At 4:35 p. m. of the 26th, the barometric ridge covered the Mississippi valley. Its influence was felt in the Middle and New England States on the 26th and 27th, and in the South Atlantic States the 28th, after which it disappeared in advance of low pressure No. VIII. During its progress eastward light frosts were occasionally produced near Portland, Or., on the morning of the 24th; in Iowa and Wisconsin on the 25th; in eastern Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan on the 26th, injuring vegetation at Pembina; in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan on the 27th, and in Pennsylvania on the 28th.

No. VII.—This was observed at Portland, Or., on the 28th and 29th, near which light frosts occurred. Succeeding low pressure No. VIII, it appeared in Dakota, Wyoming and Nebraska on the morning of the 31st, with brisk and high northerly winds and cool, clear or partly cloudy weather. At Fort Sully, an hourly wind-velocity of 48 miles was recorded. During the day it reached Kansas, the Upper Mississippi valley and Upper Lake region. At Coalville, Utah, frost and first skim of ice were formed. Its subsequent history belongs to September, but its movement was southeastward across the country over the south and middle Atlantic coasts, and had the effect of producing considerably cooler weather during its passage.

Areas of low pressure.—By referring to chart No. I, it will be seen that the centres of the barometric depressions, after appearing in the Upper Missouri valley, have generally taken a northeastward course into Canada, and farther to the northward than during previous Augusts. The result has been a diminution in the rain-full in the northern, central and eastern districts. Frequently, while the main disturbances have continued almost stationary in the extreme Northwest, as well as during their progress northeastward, minor depressions have been developed and sent out to the eastward or southeastward, which have produced severe thunder-storms, while others have moved southward towards Texas, similar to the branch of No. IV, and gradually disappeared.

No. I.- Under the influence of high pressure No. I, this disturbance, described in the July Review a s No. VIII, disappeared southeastward on the 1st, producing frequent thunder-storms along the South Atlantic coast and in Florida, with a high southwest wind at Punta Rassa.

No. II.—On the 2nd, falling barometer and rising temperature at Virginia City and the stations in the Upper Msssouri valley, indicated the approach of this storm, and thunder-storms occurred in Dakota. At Bismarck a northeast wind-velocity of sixty-one miles per hour was recorded. During the 3rd occasional

thunder-storms were reported from Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin, and snow fell on Pike's Peak. On the 4th the central depression advanced southeastward into Dakota, with thunder-storms in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Tennessee, which were violent in first and last. At Burlington, Iowa, a high wind prevailed, at North Platte southeast 32, at St. Louis 32, and at Bismarck 62 miles were recorded. During the 5th it reached northern Minnesota, with thunder-storms in Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, western Penusylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. They were reported as destructive at Girard, Pa., and Cleveland. On the 6th it passed northeastward into Canada, with occasional thunder-storms from Tennessee and North Carolina to Iowa and the Lakes, in northern New England and in the central Gulf States. Heavy rains fell in the Upper Mississippi valley, and hail at Vevay, Ind. At Marquette a south wind reached 30 miles. During the 7th the centre of this disturbance probably moved eastward along the parallel of 50° north, with continued thunder-storms from Virginia and Illinois northeastward to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. A tornado occurred at Berlin, Pa., a violent and destructive hail-storm at Honesdale, Pa., and a destructive thunder-storm at Springfield, Mass. On the 8th it moved castward beyond the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and on Mt. Washington the hourly wind-velocity reached 60 miles from the northwest. Cautionary Signals were ordered on the 4th at Duluth, and on the 5th at Milwaukee, Escanaba and Marquette. The two first were not justified.

No. III.—The approach of this storm was indicated by high winds, falling barometer and high temperatures, on the 6th and 7th, from Montana to Dakota and Nebraska. At Virginia City the temperature reached 92°, (highest ever recorded,) and 107° at Fort Sully. During the 8th the temperature reached 99° at Breckenridge, 97° at North Platte, and 103° at Bismarck, with a southeast wind of 67 miles at last, 8, 30 at Marquette, and thunder-storms, occasionally accompanied by hail, in Dakota. On the 9th the central depression passed into northeastern Dakota, with severe thunder-storms from Dakota and Minnesota towards Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Kansas. Heavy hail-storms prevailed on Pike's Peak and at Atlanta, Gr. At Bismarck, SE. 43 and NW. 53, North Plate, SE. 44, and Breckenridge, SE. 48 miles were recorded. As will be observed on chart No. I, it rapidly passed northeastward into Canada on the 10th, with a barometric trough extending southward to Texas. Thunder storms accompanied it from Minnesota and the Upper Lakes southward to the Gulf States. The following are the highest hourly wind-velocities: Escanaba, 8, 25, Milwaukee, SE. 26, Dodge City, NW. 36, and North Platte, NW. 60. Occasional thunder-storms continued on the 11th from Michigan to Kentucky, West Virginia and western Pennsylvania, and on the 12th in the Middle States, with a severe local storm at Savannah, during which the wind reached 40 miles from the NE. Cautionary Signals were ordered for Toledo and the stations along the Upper Lakes, but those for Lake Michigan alone were reported justified.

No. IV .- Following high pressure No. III, it was felt in Montana on the 10th and in Dakota on the 11th, with a high SE, wind at Breckenridge, and temperature of 96° at Fort Sully. By midnight of the 12th it had reached the southern boundary of Dakota. High south rly winds occurred in the western portions of Kansas and Nebraska, and occasional thunder storms in Colorado and Dakota. During the 13th it developed into two distinct depressions, one moving towards Lake Superior and the other southward towards Texas. Thunder-storms accompanied them from Mianesota and Wisconsin to Nebraska, Kansas, Texas, Missouri and Illinois, with occasional high winds and gales. A secondary depression developed to the castward, from which a gale resulted at Bellefontaine. Ohio, and a destructive water-spout in the vicinity of Lynchburg. A rain-fall of 5.25 inches was recorded at Boonsboro, Va. Thunder-storms continued on the 14th in Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, and occasionally in South Carolina, Florida and Ohio. At Escanaba, after the wind shifted to N., with clearing weather, it reached 28 miles. During the 15th the central depression reached the mouth of the St. Lawrence, and thence apparently moved southeastward towards Nova Scotia, with thunder-storms from New York and New England northeastward. A tornado was reported to have occurred near Milton, Ohio, and a destructive wind and hail-storm between Wappenger's Falls and Poughkeepsic, N. Y. On the 16th it disappeared southeastward over and beyond Nova Scotia. Not any Cautionary Signals were ordered to be displayed during its progress eastward, and the only station at which they would have been justified is Escanaba.

No. V.—During the 16th, the pressure was considerably below the mean in Nebraska and Kansas, with a barometric trough extending towards Ohio, over which area occasional thunder-storms occurred. Hall fell at North Platte. Near Manhattan, Kan., the heavy rains caused floods. A gale was reported from Rockford, Ill, SE, 50 miles from North Platte, and S, 30 from Dodge City. At midnight of the 17th, the central depression was located in Northern Dakota. Thunder-storms, with heavy rains at places, occurred from Dakota and Minnesota to Kansas, Kentucky, Ohio, and from South Carolina to New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia, and a tornado near Cape May. During the 18th, it rapidly moved eastward to Lake Huron, with continued thunder-storms from the Lower Missouri valley to the Upper Lakes and Ohio, and in the Carolinas. High westerly winds prevailed near Cape Hatteras. On the 19th, it advanced to the St. Lawrence valley, accompanied by heavy winds at Fort Niagara, N. Y., and N 32 miles at Escanaba. On Lake Erie near Madison, O., several water-spouts were formed, which traveled eastward. Off Cape Hatteras,

latitude 30° 40,' longitude 75° 23,' during a severe thunder-storm, a northwest squall occurred with the force of a gale. During the 20th, a secondary depression was developed as shown on the chart. Thunder-storms occurred from eastern New York to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. In latitude 33° N., longitude 75° W., a cyclone was reported; 34° 50 N. 75° 50 W., heavy northeast gale. The following wind-velocities are given—Port Huron, NE. 25, New River, N. C., E. high, Sandy Hook, N. 32, Portland and Thatcher's Island, NW. 28, Mt. Washington, NW. 72, and off Cape Henry a heavy easterly gale. On Mt. Washington, a NW hurricane continued on the 21st and 22d. During its passage, the only reports of very brisk and high winds at the Lake stations, came from Escanaba and Port Huron. Along the New England and New Jersey coasts, after the winds shifted to northwest, they occasionally increased to high during clear weather. Cautionary Signals were displayed for northeasterly winds along the Virginia and Carolina coasts, which were justified.

No. VI.—On the 19th, while high pressure No. V was advancing southward over the Northwest, falling barometer and warmer southerly winds prevailed in Montana and Utah, and continued on the 20th, which conditions extended eastward to Dakota, Nebraska and Colorado on the latter date. In Nebraska and Kansas, occasional thunder-storms and brisk to high southeasterly winds prevailed, with a wind-velocity of 42 miles at Bismarck; on Pike's Peak, a bail and snow storm. During the 21st, the central depression advanced southeastward into Southern Dakota, with thunder-storms in Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa, very heavy rain at Davenport, and a destructive rain and hail-storm at Denver. At Dalge City the wind-velocity reached S. 40 miles. On the 22d, it was forced to move nearly due northward by the high pressure area which covered the Lower Lake region, Middle and South Atlantic States. On Pike's Peak a violent gale prevailed; at Dodge City, S. 39, and at North Platte, S. 46 miles were recorded. Thunderstorms occurred in Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Michigan, accompanied by very heavy rains at La Crosse and Breckenridge. During the 23rd, the centre probably pased over Fort Garry into Canada, with occasional thunder-storms in Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan. Cautionary Signals were displayed on the 22nd and 23rd at Duluth, but were not justified.

No. VII—succeeded the previous one in Dakota during the night of the 23rd, and rapidly advanced to the north of the Upper Lake region during the 24th. Frequent thunder-storms accompanied it from Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri east and southward to Ohio, West Virginia, Carolinas and Tennessee. At Wheeling, W. Va., Centertown, Mo., and Nashville, they were reported as very heavy and destructive. On the 25th the central disturbance reached the St. Luwrence valley, with a barometric trough extending southwestward toward the Gulf States, and occasional thunder-storms over that area. The following wind-velocities were recorded: Marquette, W. 32, Barnegat, SW. 27, Cape May, S. 28, and Sandy Hook, NW. 34 miles. On the 26th it passed eastward over the Gulf of St. Lawrence, followed by clearing weather in the Middle States and New England. A minor depression was left in the South Atlantic States, which produced occasional thunder-storms. Cautionary Signals were ordered along the Lakes, which were justified, excepting those along Lake Ontario; also atong the Middle Atlantic coast, but were justified along the New Jersey coast alone.

No. VIII.—During the 27th and 28th, the pressure continued diminishing at the Rocky Mountain stations and in the Northwest, with occasional thunder-storms from Kansus to Dakota and Minnesota, and on the morning of the 29th it was apparently central in southeastern Dakota. During the day occasional thunder-storms occurred in Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan; north of Pembina, a violent hailstorm; at Milwaukee, heavy and damaging rain-storm; in Grant county, Wis., very heavy rains, producing destructive floods. At Guttenburg, Iowa, 4.25 in., rain fell, causing damaging floods. On the 30th, thunder-storms continued in Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, In liana and Ohio, with a destructive gale at Logansport, Ind., and a hail and snow-storm on Pike's Peak. At midnight the central disturbance was located near Fort Garry. On the 31st, during its progress castward, a barometric trough extended southward towards India, Territory, in which frequent and heavy thunder-storms prevailed. The hail and snow-storm continued on Pike's Peak. A destructive hail-storm was reported from Alpena, where the wind-velocity reached N.W. 28 miles. At Sagetown, Ill., a destructive wind-storm occurred. Its movement upon the 1st and 2nd of September is shown upon the chart, but its description for those dates belongs to that month. There were no Cautionary Signals displayed along the Lakes, and the only high wind was reported from Alpena.

Local Storms.—On the 2nd, the wind shifted temporarily to N. 29, at Galveston, and to N. 44 miles at Indianola during heavy thunder-storms, while hail-stones as large as hen's eggs fell at former; 3rd, at Mobile, during a thunder-storm, the wind reached S., 30 miles; 7th, at Punta Rassa, heavy thunder-storm and wind-velocity 36 miles; 8th, Logansport, Ind., heavy rain-storm flooding streets, cellars, &c.; 9th, at Fort McKavett, Texas, heavy rain-torm during night with 3.24 inches rain-fall; 10th, violent rain-storm and high northwest wind at New River, N. C. coast; 13th, thunder and hail-storm at Spartanburg, South Carolina; 19th, tornado at Edgerton, Mo., severe storms in Platte county, Mo., St. Louis, and Atchison, Kan.; 21st, high SE, wind during thunder-storm at Mobile; 22d, terrific NW, squall during thunder and hail-storm, latitude 42° 28 N. longitude 58° 55 W.; 24th, severe thunder-storm at Aiken, S. C.; 25th, violent thunder-storm, during which several persons were stunned or fainted from the concussion and

proximity of one crash, at Fort Duncan, Tex., ficrce thunder-storm at Pittsburgh, and heavy at Spartanburg, S. C.; 26th, hurricane experienced by a vessel in the vicinity of Burmuda; 27th, high easterly winds during thunder-storm early in the morning at Cape Hatters and New River, N. C. coast; 28th, heavy gale 150 miles off shore from San Francisco.

TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR.

The isothermal curves upon chart No. II illustrate the general distribution of the temperature of the air for the present month. From a reference to the table in the lower left-hand corner of the same chart, it will be seen that the average is below that for many years in the Gulf States, Upper Mississippi valley, and at the Pacific coast stations; about the same in Minnesota and the lower Missouri valley; above in the remaining districts, especially in the Lake region and St. Lawrence valley. Minimum and maximum temperatures, respectively, for the month are given for the following sealions, viz: Albany, 46°, 93°; Alpana, 42°, 87°; Atlantic City, 55°, 87°; Augusta, 70°, 97°; Boston, 59°, 98°; Bismanck, 42°, 105°; Breckenridge, 37°, 101°; Butfalo, 46°, 87°; Cairo, 63°, 95°; Cape Hutteras, 62°, 85°; Cape Max, 57°, 87°; Cheyenne, 34°, 92°; Chicago, 54°, 92°; Cincinnati, 59°, 91°; Cleveland, 46°, 86°; Corsicana, 68°, 101°; Davenport, 53°, 90°; Denver, 44°, 100°; Detroit, 46°, 87°; Dodge City, 52°, 101°; Duluth, 45°, 89°; Eastport, 46°, 83°; Fort Gibson, 64°, 95°; Fort Sully, 48°, 107°; Indianapolis, 48°, 89°; Indianola, 71°, 99°; Jacksonville, 70°, 98°; Key West, 55°, 91°; Leavenworth, 55°, 93°; Lynchburg, 58°, 94°; Malban, 37°, 92°; Marquetts, 44°, 91°; Mobile, 71°, 95°; Mt. Washington, 20°, 72°; Nashville, 60°, 95°; New London, 52°, 80°; Pembina, 36°, 94°; Pittsburgh, 49°, 97°; Pike's Peak, 23°, 58°; Philadelphia, 56°, 91°; Portland, Oc., 51°, 91°; Salt Luke City, 48°, 95°; San Diego, 60°, 81°; San Francisco, 51°, 78°; Santa Fc, 45°, 89°; Shreveport, 69°, 96°; Vicksburg, 68°, 98°; Virginia City, 31°, 92°; Washington, 53°, 96°; Wilmington, 63°, 97°; Wood's Hole, 55°, 85°; Yankton, 46°, 93°; Yuma, 67°, 107°. The highest were recorded at Indianola on the 1st; Denver, 12th; Dodge City, 8th; Breckenridge and Bismarck, 8th; Fort Sully, 7th; Yuma, 6th; and the lowest at Mt. Washington, 21st; Pike's Peak, 23d; Breckenridge, 25th; Malone, 21st; Pembina, 26th; Cheyenne, 10th; and Virginia City, 31°, 10th; and virginia City

Ranges in Temperature.—At Key West, 16⁵; San Diego, 21⁵; San Francisco, 27⁵; Portland, Or., 41⁵; Gulf States, 19⁵ to 33⁵; South Atlantic States, 23⁵ to 34⁵; Indian Ter., 29⁵ to 34⁵; Tennessee and the Ohio valley, 30⁵ to 38⁵; Middle Atlantic coast, 30⁵ to 43⁵; New England coast, 28⁵ to 44⁵; interior of Middle States and New England, 42⁵ to 55⁵; Lower Lake region, 35⁵ to 44⁵; Upper Lake region, 38⁵ to 47⁵; Upper Mississippi valley, 31⁵ to 47⁵; Lower Missouri valley, 36⁵ to 47⁵; Rel River of the North valley, 58⁵ to 64⁵; Santa Fe, 44⁵; Kansas and Colorado, 35⁵ to 56⁵; Salt Lake City, 49⁵; Wyoming, Montana, and western portions of Nebraska, Minnesota and Dakota, 55⁵ to 64⁵ at Breckenridge

Ice and Destructive Frosts have been reported as follows, viz: morning of the 10th at Coalville, Utah, frost injuring wheat and potato tops; 21st, near Fort Huron, Mich., frost damaging crops; 26th, at Pembina, frost injuring vegetation; 31st, at Coalville, frost and first skim of ice. July 8th, a severe frost occurred at Carson City, Nev., freezing vegetables

PRECIPITATION.

Upon chart No. 3 is represented the distribution of the rain-fall and melted snow. The table in the lower left-hand corner of same gives the average precipitation, in the various districts, of the month for this and for many years. It will be observed that the regions in which the rain-fall has exceeded the average for years, viz., the Missouri valley, Upper Mississippi valley, Minnesota, Tennessee and the Ohio valley, generally correspond with those affected by the movements of the lower-pressure areas. The excess in the Western Gulf States, and the normal in the Eistern Gulf States, result from the heavy precipitations at Galveston and Mobile, while there was a deficiency at the majority of the stations, especially through the central portions. The large deficiencies in the Lower Lake region, Middle States, New England and St. Lawrence valley, are due to the fact that the low-pressure areas generally passed to the north of them, and only occasionally extended their influence southward, so as to produce rain in those sections. The following are some of the largest total rain-falls, viz: at G dy ston, 10.19 inches; Mobile, 11.53; Goldsboro, N. C., 11.61 (?); Boonsboro, Iowa, 12.44 (?); Guttenburg, Iowa, 10.04; Richmond, Neb., 8.12; Camp Verde, A. Ter., 12.08; Anna, Ill., 9.41; near Cincinnati, 10.25, and Snowville, Va., 9 inches. Stations where not any rain fell are: San José and Campo, Cal., Fort Porter, (near Buffalo,) Fort Niagara, (at Oswego,) Toronto,